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Letter dated 27 April 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of
the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

I am writing to you concerning the statement of the Croatian representative to the United Nations at the 1995 Review and Extension Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons on 19 April 1995 and, upon instructions of my Government, I have the honour to state the following.

The representative of the Republic of Croatia has this time again abused a very important international conference to spread false and malicious accusations against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. On this occasion, however, its representative went even further with his ill-intentioned and absurd allegations.

Since the problems of the nuclear threat still existing in the world are of the highest concern for all countries, the Croatian representative focused the attention of the Conference on the alleged threat posed by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia with the aim to disguise the real threat to peace and security in the region.

It is precisely Croatia that provoked the war in the area by its forcible and unconstitutional secession from the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. This fact remains, despite all steady efforts of Croatia and some other countries to put the blame on the others.

As far as the status of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in the non-proliferation Treaty is concerned, it should be recalled that, in the declaration adopted by its Assembly in April 1992, it was clearly stated that

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the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia would continue to fulfil all the rights conferred to, and obligations assumed by, the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia in international relations, including participation in international treaties ratified or acceded to by Yugoslavia.

As a State party to the non-proliferation Treaty, throughout its validity, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia has demonstrated its firm commitment to the maintenance of international peace and security through general and complete disarmament, nuclear disarmament in particular, as well as the broadening of cooperation in the use of nuclear energy exclusively for peaceful purposes. The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia fully cooperates with the International Atomic Energy Agency in that respect.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 70 of the preliminary list.

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